

**657—2.9 (147,155A) Licensure by license transfer/reciprocity.** An applicant for license transfer/reciprocity must be a pharmacist licensed by examination in a state or territory of the United States with which Iowa has a reciprocal agreement, and the license by examination must be in good standing at the time of the application. All candidates shall take and pass the MPJE, Iowa Edition, as provided in subrule 2.1(1). Any candidate who fails to pass the examination shall be eligible for reexamination as provided in rule 2.6(147).

**2.9(1) Eligibility.** Each applicant for license transfer to this state who obtains the applicant's original license after January 1, 1980, must have passed the NABP Licensure Examination (NABPLEX), the NAPLEX, or an equivalent examination as determined by NABP.

*a. Preliminary application.* Each applicant for license transfer/reciprocity to Iowa shall complete and submit to NABP, with the appropriate fee as indicated on the application, the NABP Preliminary Application for Transfer of Pharmaceutic Licensure. Refunds of fees paid to NABP shall be at the discretion of NABP.

*b. Foreign pharmacy graduates.* If the applicant is a graduate of a school or college of pharmacy located outside the United States that has not been recognized and approved by the board, proof of qualifications shall include certification from the FPGEC pursuant to subrule 2.10(1).

**2.9(2) Application requirements.** Application to the board shall consist of the final application for license transfer prepared by NABP pursuant to the NABP license transfer program. A foreign pharmacy graduate shall submit certification from the FPGEC as provided in subrule 2.10(1). Applications, together with other required information and fees, shall be submitted as provided in subrule 2.3(3).

**2.9(3) MPJE required.** An applicant shall also be required to submit the registration application for MPJE, Iowa Edition, as provided in rule 2.2(155A). The form and fees shall be submitted as provided in subrules 2.3(2) and 2.3(3).

**2.9(4) Fees.** The fee for license transfer shall consist of the biennial license fee established by rule 2.11(147,155A) including surcharge and a processing fee of \$100. No refunds of the processing fee shall be made for cancellation or withdrawal of an application. The license fee and processing fee shall be payable to the Iowa Board of Pharmacy and may be remitted in the form of personal check, money order, or certified check.

**2.9(5) Timeliness.** A final application for license transfer is valid for 12 months following the date of issuance by NABP. A candidate for license transfer shall complete, within that one-year period, all licensure requirements established by this rule. No refund of fees will be made for failure to complete all licensure requirements within this one-year period.